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Unitary shipments——

August down 7%, year up 11%

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air source heat pumps in August were down 7 percent compared to August 1988, but year-to-date shipments are still 11 percent ahead of 1988, according to ARI statistics.

U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during August:

- o totalled 340,407,
- o down 7% from August 1988,
- o year-to-date total 3,334,575,
- o up 11% from January-August 1988.

Heat pump shipments included in the August figures:

- o totalled 63,977,
- o up 4% from August 1988,
- o year-to-date total 594,901,
- o no change from January-August 1988.

August factory stocks:

- o up 1,491 units from July,
- o up 123,776 units from August 1988.

August distributor shipments:

- o down 29% from August 1988,
- o year-to-date shipments up 4%.

August distributor inventories:

- o down 25,683 units from July,
- o up 127,372 units from August 1988.

August U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- o down 11% from August 1988,
- o year-to-date total up 9%.

August U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- o up 46% from August 1988,
- o year-to-date up 31%.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary.)

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CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE

UNITED STATES

SIZE BTUH (000)		NUMBER OF UNITS CONDENSER-TYPE AIR/EVAP COOLED A	WATER COOLED B	U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1988	
Under 16.5		3,755	0	3,755	132.2	
16.5-21.9		23,310	0	23,310	-13.9	
22 -26.9		66,528	0	66,528	-12.0	
27 -32.9		63,735	0	63,735	-6.3	
33 -38.9		81,642	31	81,673	-3.6	
39 -43.9		25,802	0	25,802	-8.1	
44 -53.9		33,026	0	33,026	5.8	
54 -64.9		28,788	92	28,880	-8.9	
65 -96.9		5,334	32	5,366	-35.5	
97 -134.9		3,780	65	3,845	-2.5	
135 -184.9		2,239	11	2,250	12.4	
185 -249.9		989	2	991	20.7	
250 -319.9		389	0	389	-16.9	
320 -379.9		287	11	298	25.7	
380 -539.9		192	2	194	54.0	
540 -639.9		107	2	109	-14.8	
640 & Over		244	12	256	15.3	
TOTAL		340,147	260	340,407	-6.6	